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Cyber Monday rises in popularity ... slowly but surely

BY EMILY MOORE
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Black Friday is known as a day of discounts, sales and bargains. However, today is its virtual counterpart: Cyber Monday.

Cyber Monday is a day filled with online sales and according to AOL's twitter account, Cyber Monday shoppers spend 50 percent more money than Black Friday shoppers.

Cyber Monday is more convenient, as it can be done from home or wherever Internet can be accessed, which saves people the

early morning trip to the stores. For Emily Leonard, freshman in marriage and family therapy, Cyber Monday is convenient because the merchandise is more abundant and it is less stressful.

"The best part is that there's some great deals on stuff you can't find in stores or was gone by the time you got there on Friday," Leonard said. "There's not so much stress and waiting in the cold."

Others believe shopping is generally cheaper and more enjoyable online.

"I like online shopping because it's cheaper than going into the stores and I like wasting time online," Noah Minshew, freshman

in finance, said. "There's also more of a variety of options."

For some people – like Molly Brown, sophomore in public relations – Black Friday represents tradition like any other holiday.

"For years my family has always gone shopping on Black Friday," Brown said. "It has become a tradition and although I do buy a few things, for me it is more about the experience and spending time with the people I love. Although I'm sure there are great deals online, and someday I probably will shop online, Cyber Monday takes away from my Black Friday experience."

The tradition of the Black Fri-

day experience is different than that of Cyber Monday. In fact, Leonard said that even though she shops on Cyber Monday, Black Friday is still her personal preference.

"I still think I like Black Friday better because the deals are better and more broad," Leonard said. "Online they are very specific and sometimes all of the stuff you were waiting to buy isn't even on sale."

While Black Friday appears to hold the tradition, \$1,735 million was spent on Cyber Monday shopping in 2013. Cyber Monday is still holding a position in the Thanksgiving weekend sales in retail.

compiled by Jon Parton

WinterDance 2014 to feature variety of dance performances

The School of Music, Theatre and Dance is featuring various styles of dance, including jazz, tap and African at WinterDance 2014.

The K-State African Music and Dance Ensemble is performing a new piece called "Bamaya." The performance is based on a social dance of the Dagomba culture in Northern Ghana, according to a K-State press release.

In addition, Julie Pentz, associate professor of dance, created a new jazz piece for the show called "Twisted."

The performance will take place Thursday through Saturday in Chapman Theatre at Nichols Hall. Seating for the event is \$10 for students and \$15 for others.

Blue Earth Plaza stays true to name under bright blue holiday lights



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Blue Earth Plaza is lit up with colorful lights for the holiday season. Its 60-foot tree in the center flashed in time with the holiday music that played throughout the plaza on Sunday night.

Convention to draw over 1,000 visitors to city

The Kansas Farm Bureau is hosting a two-day convention at its headquarters in Manhattan starting today. More than 1,000 farmers will attend the convention, according to Kansas First News.

The event is expected to focus on public policy issues that affect farmers and agriculture. Discussion topics will include the 2014 farm bill, agriculture advocating and water and agriculture technology.

American Farm Bureau Federation President Bob Stallman is expected to speak at the event. The event also celebrates the retirement of Steve Baccus, Kansas Farm Bureau president. The celebration will be held tonight and will be attended by U.S. Sen. Pat Roberts and Gov. Sam Brownback. On Tuesday, members will elect a new president.

State tax revenue increase not enough to offset loss

The Kansas Department of Revenue reported that the state took in \$3.1 million more in taxes than expected in the month of November. Although corporate and individual income taxes came in higher, sales taxes came in lower, according to the Topeka Capital-Journal.

November numbers came in above expectations, yet did nothing to offset losses suffered earlier in the year. In October alone, the state brought in \$23 million less than expected. In April, May and June, taxes came in \$334 million less than what state analysts originally projected.

The state expects a loss of more than \$780 million for the rest of the fiscal year, ending in June 2015.

Winterizing your vehicle now can lead to savings later

BY JON PARTON
THE COLLEGIAN

If this winter will be anything like the last, Manhattan residents should prepare for snow. The city receives an average annual snowfall of 17 inches, with 10 inches usually occurring in December and January, according to U.S. climate data.

Winterizing a car is necessary in order to keep it operating during the colder winter months. By taking precautions, people may never have to face a vehicle that won't start in the morning.

Snow tires

Having the right tires will make your traveling safer during the winter. A good set of tires can mean the difference between get-

ting to your destination and sliding off the road. Snow tires will reduce your fuel efficiency due to their extra weight but will keep you on the road, according to an article by dmvo.org.

Frozen locks and windows

Sub-freezing temperatures often cause locks and windows to freeze over. Running warm water over the lock or windows can help, but be careful not to run hot water over the windows of the vehicle as it can cause windows to crack.

Engine oil

The temperature of the engine is affected by the outside weather. If temperatures stay below freezing, it might be worth switching to a thinner oil. Always check your vehicle's manual to make sure.

Emergency kit

Another important part of winterizing is preparing for the worst. Regardless of the season, it's best to prepare an emergency kit in case something goes wrong. According to the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, a good emergency kit should include: blankets or sleeping bags, plastic bags for sanitation, extra gloves or winter clothing, tire chains, spare tire, windshield scraper and small tools.

Engine coolant

Not only does a coolant system protect the engine from overheating in the summer, it also protects it against corrosion that can occur during any season. Use a coolant with ethylene glycol to protect your engine best. Although different vehicles require a different ratio of water to cool-

ant, most vehicles call for 60 percent coolant to 40 percent water, according to dmvo.org. As always, check with your vehicle manual first to make sure.

Battery capacity

The cold weather can affect the performance of the battery, reducing its capacity. Make sure to thoroughly check the battery and cables before the worst of winter heads to Manhattan. Look for any cracks or breaks in the battery cables. Check the level of battery fluid and fill with distilled water if need be. While inspecting under the hood, look for the manufacture date of the battery. Generally, batteries should be replaced every four years.

Although winter can slow people down, with the right preparations, it won't completely stop someone in their tracks.

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Fact of the Day

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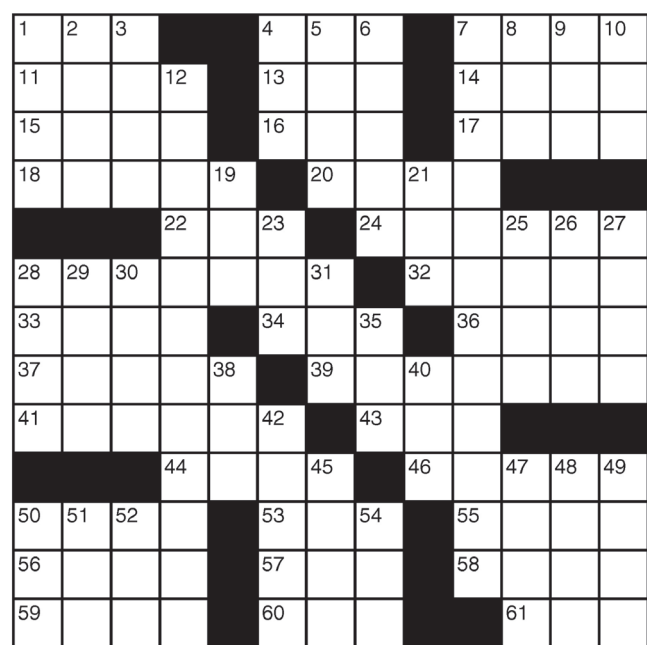
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Saturday's answer 12-1



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Friday, Nov. 28

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Christian Bill Cruz, of the 600 block of Highland Ridge Drive, was booked for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$750.

Saturday, Nov. 29

Christopher Leland Cox, of the 2100 block of Patricia Place, was booked for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$1,500.

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Henry Eugene Washington, of Waco, Texas, was booked for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$201.

Andrew Joseph Biery, of Shawnee, Kansas, was booked for criminal trespass. Bond was set at \$500.

Alexandria Elizabeth Driskill, of Junction City, was booked for driving with a cancelled, suspended or revoked license. Bond was set at \$750.

Jonathan Bryce Berwald, of the 2200 block of College Avenue, was booked for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$1,500.

Sunday, Nov. 30

Robert Jacob Jentges, of Ogden, was booked for violating protection orders and criminal trespass. No bond was listed.

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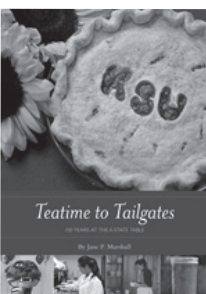


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by Terry Stickels

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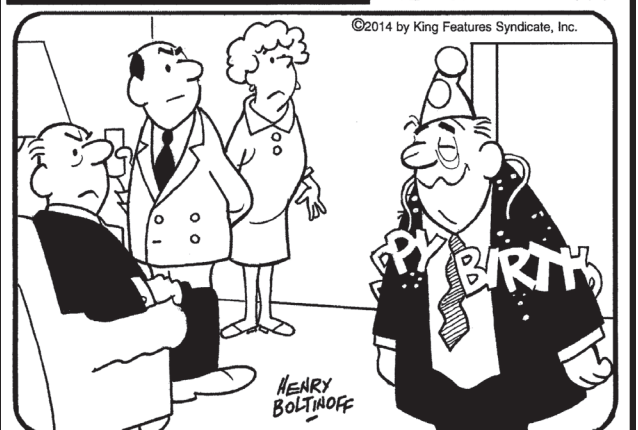
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Net neutrality misunderstood by media



Ted Cruz is only 43 years old, so you might think he’s one of the senators young enough to understand the Internet. But you would be wrong.

Cruz recently attacked net neutrality, calling it “Obamacare for the Internet,” while also stating that “it would put the government in charge of determining Internet pricing, terms of service and what types of products and services can be delivered, leading to fewer choices, fewer opportunities and higher prices.”

In his op-ed in the Washington Post, Cruz goes on to criticize the president’s advocacy for net neutrality, and he makes the usual case against regulation – that it stifles innovation, adds unnecessary hurdles to new businesses and that government-regulated utilities invariably destroy freedom.

“Which is more innovative,” Cruz asked. “The U.S. Postal Service or Facebook and Twitter?”

In other words, Ted Cruz doesn’t understand what net neutrality actually means. Net neutrality doesn’t regulate Facebook and Twitter. It regulates Time Warner Cable and Comcast.

Obama’s push to the FCC wasn’t a huge push for government censorship of Web content. He was asking the FCC to label and regulate Internet providers as common carriers under Title II of the Communications Act.

Before you have a knee-jerk reaction to the word “regulate,” hardly anyone actually objects to common carrier laws. Most utilities and transportation services are already treated as common carriers because they’re considered essential services for everyday life and their markets suffer from both inelastic demand and high start-up costs that create a lack of competition. Under U.S. law, a business classified as a common carrier can’t impair or interfere with any of the traffic that runs through it if doing so would adversely affect “public convenience and necessi-

ty.”

Airlines are common carriers, so Pepsi can’t legally pay Southwest Airlines to stall flights carrying Coke employees to important meetings, nor can Southwest start charging Coke extra fees for business class seats if Coke employees have been flying a lot lately. Phone companies are also common carriers, so Pizza Hut can’t pay Verizon to mysteriously drop calls to Dominoes, nor can Verizon mysteriously drop calls to Pizza Hut unless Verizon gets 5 percent of the order.

If the downside to being a common carrier is that you can’t legally act like the mafia, the upside is that you’re not responsible for any of the traffic that runs through your business. If a bank robber uses a Verizon phone to call up his demolitions expert of choice, Verizon isn’t legally responsible for the robbery. Internet service providers already get this upside, never being held responsible for piracy or other illegal content that passes through their cables.

ISPs exist in a market that really resembles the other common carriers. Internet access is as useful as phone service and almost as ubiquitous. Like phone service, air travel and electricity, the infrastructure needed to provide Internet service and the permissions and rights-of-way from local governments are enormous barriers to entry for newcomers, so we simply can’t count on competition to drive out shady business practices (if it’s been this slow for Google Fiber to get off the ground, what chance does anyone else have?). Net neutrality would simply be treating ISPs as common carriers, a commonsense move that we should have made years ago.

Net neutrality doesn’t stifle innovation. It’s the reason innovation can happen. Net neutrality means that a new Internet-based company getting off the ground has every bit as much opportunity to reach consumers as Google does. Cruz’s example of Facebook as an innovation that would suffer under net neutrality was particularly poorly chosen. When Facebook was becoming a threat to Myspace’s market dominance, a non-neutral Internet could have nipped Facebook in the bud. If Myspace bought a fast lane or paid Time Warner Cable to throttle Facebook’s bandwidth, it’s very possible that Facebook never



would have left Harvard – no matter how brilliant and innovative it was. The Internet has been neutral for its entire history up to now, and that’s why the market worked. Neutrality meant a even playing field.

Now, for the first time, the neutrality of ISPs is at risk. Since Netflix’s streaming service took off, it has grown to take up about 34 percent of all Internet traffic. Netflix had been building its own content delivery networks to bypass content distribution networks, like Level 3 Communications, Inc., and Cogent Communications, so Netflix could deliver its own content to ISPs even faster and with fewer interruptions, not an uncommon strategy among large Internet companies.

Years ago when Google and Facebook were doing the same thing with their own CDNs, ISPs were happy to let them connect for free since it was making their Internet service more valuable to consumers. It was a free market win-win. Nowadays, we have fewer ISPs with more market leverage.

A wonderful graph published by the Washington Post illustrated the problem. While Netflix was negotiating with Comcast over its new CDN, Comcast’s delivery speed of Netflix streams fell by more than 20 percent. After the negotiations ended in February, Netflix’s streaming speed surged to 20 percent above where it had been before the negotiations.

Nominally, it was just a discussion about interconnection fees, but it’s obvious what was really happening: Comcast was handicapping Netflix service to remind Netflix how much leverage a monopoly can have. If Netflix pays up, they either absorb the cost themselves or pass the cost onto consumers, and in either case, everyone loses except Comcast.

If this becomes more commonplace, the world of business will become more hostile to innovation than the government could ever hope to be. Netflix is encountering some hurdles now, but what chance will its successors

have in an even worse environment? A market ruled by giants isn’t really free.

We need to stop attacking net neutrality like it’s a massive censorship of free speech and see what it really is: a even playing field. If we really want to spark innovation, the new innovators will need a neutral Internet. And maybe the neutral Internet will harbor some actual competition among ISPs for a change.

The views and opinions expressed in this column are those of the author and do not necessarily reflect the official policy or position of The Collegian.

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Understanding the privilege behind the Ferguson verdict

By Ariel Crockett
THE COLLEGIAN

On Nov. 24, Americans experienced one of the saddest injustices in our history when the Grand Jury decided not to indict former officer Darren Wilson of all charges in the murder of 18-year-old Ferguson, Missouri, teen Michael Brown.

History repeats itself. For blacks in America, much of that history means racism, prejudice and social injustices – not exactly things we want to repeat. Since the announcement, peaceful protests ensued across not only the country, but throughout the world as well. Check any social media site and you’ll find posts and pictures of people of all colors, from New York to New Zealand protesting against the Grand Jury’s decision.

While most of the world decided to unite peacefully and protest in a call for action, it’s unfortunate that sensationalized media like CNN chose to focus on the riots and looting that broke out in Ferguson following the announcement.

I watched CNN until the wee hours of Tuesday morning, waiting for reporters to interview one – just one – protester or rioter and received nothing. This did viewers a tremendous disservice, because it gave us zero answers as to what was going through the minds of the rioters. It gave us no real information, just speculation.

Reporters’ lack of well-rounded reporting left the public to take to social media outlets like Facebook, Twitter, Tumblr and Instagram posts for videos and pictures of what was really happening in Ferguson.

There are many Wilson supporters who don’t under-

stand the public outcry, the rage and the devastation after he was not indicted. The issue is that minorities feel as though the Grand Jury’s decision was a clear message that black lives do not matter. It didn’t matter with Trayvon Martin, John Crawford, Ezell Ford, Eric Garner, Akai Gurley or 12-year-old Tamir Rice.

For hundreds of years, blacks have been oppressed in this country. We can’t help it if we see color in everything – our justice system bases everything off of social class and color.

A common question some white people often ask when tragedies like this happens is, “Why is it always about color, with you people?”

My answer: just look at how the media portrays black victims in these stories.

I realize that not all Wilson supporters are white, but to the ones that are and are questioning the race card, it’s hard to see the realities of minorities because of how blinding white privilege can be. The media’s sensationalized reporting is just the tip of the iceberg with how the media dehumanizes black murder victims opposed to white mass murderers in conjunction to white privilege.

Author Tim Wise recently discussed his many bouts with privilege on his website, even going as far as initiating the hashtag #IWasNoAngelEither; an effort to alter public opinion of Brown, after the media’s many mentions of Brown’s insignificant marijuana usage.

Following Brown’s death in August, Huffington Post published a story called “When the Media Treats White Suspects Better Than Black Victims,” pointing out how the media demonizes black victims opposed to cold-blooded, white killers.



Wilson himself, even referred to Brown as a supernatural demon even though they were only about an inch apart in height and Brown was wounded more than once before being shot twice in the head.

When people ask why protesters are making a big deal about race, it’s because the case is about race.

Everything about this case was about race from the way Brown was targeted for jaywalking, to the portrayal of Brown in the media, to the fact that in a predominately black town, the jury consisted of nine white and three black people.

White people have the privilege of rarely experiencing the fear of unjustly being targeted by law enforcement. As awful as it is, white people have the privilege of murdering mass amounts of people and somehow still manage to be arrested alive. Privilege is also knowing you’ll be remembered for how great of a person you always were in the media after doing it.

White people have the privilege of committing a crime and knowing that whatever sentencing they receive, it won’t be as harsh as a minority. African Americans are incarcerated nearly six times

the rate of whites, according to NAACP. White privilege is knowing that although about 14 million whites and about 2.6 million blacks report using an illicit drug, most people won’t automatically assume a white person uses some type of drug.

White privilege is knowing that although about five times as many whites are using drugs as blacks, the latter is 10 times more likely to be imprisoned on drug offenses.

So when people ask, “Why is everything always about race with you people?,” just look at the facts. The proof is in the numbers but the numbers can’t even compare to the reality

of the everyday oppression of minorities.

While I don’t agree with the rioting, as a minority, I understand the anger behind it. I understand the feeling of hopelessness – the emotion and the desire to physically fight.

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Offense: A+

The story of the game, other than the thrashing to team handed out, was the play of senior wide receiver Tyler Lockett. The captain was on a mission to break every record he could for the Wildcats.

In the second quarter, Tyler passed his father Kevin in career receptions, notching his 218th reception with the Wildcats. The younger Lockett now sits at 222 receptions after breaking the record that had stood since the 1995-96 season.

Later in the quarter, Tyler tied his father's school record for career receiving touchdowns with his 26th overall. He ended the game with nine receptions for 119 yards and two touchdowns.

In his last home game as a Wildcat, senior quarterback Jake Waters started the game on fire, with a 7-of-9 stretch for 120 yards and a touchdown. Against an in-state rival, it's hard to start any better than that.

Waters made good decisions throughout the game, rarely putting his team in bad situations. The Council Bluffs, Iowa native finished the game with 294 passing yards and four touchdowns.

The running back combination of senior DeMarcus Robinson and sophomore Charles Jones kept the Wildcats offense from stalling in short-yardage situations. The duo combined for 116 yards, with Jones notching a touchdown.

Abilene native Curry Sexton was another senior who wrapped up his Bill Snyder Family Stadium

career with a top-notch performance. In his final home game, he notched 141 yards and a touchdown, complementing Lockett's spectacular game.

Defense: A-

The Wildcats defense got back to their normal, ball-hawking ways against the out-matched Jayhawks. Kansas came into the game averaging 335.7 per contest, which is the lowest mark in the conference. They also have the worst pass and rush offenses in the conference.

The Wildcats held the Jayhawks to 197 total yards while forcing them to punt six times. They also managed to force two turnovers, which gave their offense every opportunity to run up the score on Kansas.

The secondary was the catalyst for defensive coordinator Tom Hayes' unit, forcing the Jayhawks into many bad situations and almost coming away with more big plays than they finished with. The secondary worked miracles early in the game, forcing two interceptions within the first 10 minutes.

For what it's worth, every offense do have flashes of brilliance, no matter how bad it gets. Lucky for the Wildcats, it was just a flash in the pan and didn't affect the game at all.

Special Teams: A+

After the Jayhawks marched down the field and scored their first touchdown on a Nick Harwell reception, reserve defensive tackle DeAndre Roberts blocked the PAT and Morgan Burns followed the play with a 65-yard kick return. The next kick return for the Wildcats featured Lockett on a 46-yard dash.

On the other end, freshman kicker Matthew McCrane nailed two long field goals in the game. The first came on a 41-yard boot and an incredible 52-yard followed soon after.

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EMILY DESHAZER | THE COLLEGIAN

K-State wide receiver **Tyler Lockett** tries to break a tackle as Kansas safety **Isaiah Johnson** tackles him on Saturday at Bill Snyder Family Stadium.

K-State breaks ground on new Vanier Complex at halftime last Saturday



AUSTIN EARL
THE COLLEGIAN

K-State's newest athletic project is officially underway. University President Kirk Schulz and Athletic Director John Currie were joined by other guests in the groundbreaking ceremony during halftime of the Wild-

cats' victory against Kansas last Saturday.

The demolition of the current Vanier Complex is set to begin next Monday.

"It really has been my home for the last five years," senior B.J. Finney said of the old building. "I am not going to have any ties to the new complex, so I am going to miss this old complex. This is what has been since I have been here."

K-State officials said they hope these new additions will help attract a large number of high-quality recruits, and believe that the building makes their facilities among the best in the Big 12.

"These stadium upgrades

will have a tremendous impact on the entire Wildcats family," Schulz said in last spring's announcement of the project. "Enhancements to the Academic Learning Center promote continued excellence in the classroom for all our student-athletes and further our commitment to fan experience."

The new building, which has been tabbed "the new home for K-State football," will house top-of-the-line exercise facilities for the program. It will contain an Olympic-quality strength and conditioning center and a new sports medicine and recovery facility.

The facility will also

boast a new locker room for football players, which is planned to be twice the size of the current one.

"I think we're most excited for the new locker room and weight room," junior defensive back Dante Barnett said last spring. "By having more space in the locker room and the weight room, the whole team can go in there and work hard and we won't be piling into a smaller room. It will also help in recruiting. Recruits always want to see something that catches their eyes. This building should help get them to come to K-State."

Overall, this building will have more than twice as

much space than the current one. The new facility will have 132,000 square feet, compared with the current 64,000 square foot building.

The additions do not stop with the complex alone, as the project will upgrade the seats in the north end zone to increase the field view.

The new building will be ready for use before the 2015 season begins. The project is estimated to have a \$69 million price tag, with donors paying \$48 million of the total. Much of that money was donated by the Vanier family, the namesake of the building. The other \$21 million will not be paid with tuition or tax dollars.

"We are all so very grateful to Jack and Donna Vanier and their children for their monumental gift to our program, and to so many others who have helped with very generous donations to this important project," K-State head coach Bill Snyder said in the announcement statement. "These again are people who so readily represent the fact that Kansas State is about people who genuinely care about people."

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K-State volleyball returns to NCAA tournament, faces Utah in first game

By TIMOTHY EVERSON
THE COLLEGIAN

For the 15th time in school history, K-State volleyball is headed to the NCAA Tournament. The program holds a 14-14 overall record in postseason play and a 9-9 record under head coach Suzie Fritz.

With a third-straight tournament trip to Lincoln, Nebraska upcoming to take on Utah (19-12, 9-11 in the Pac-12) on Friday, the Wildcats (22-8, 9-7) look forward to wiping the slate clean in postseason competition.

"We're thrilled," Fritz said of her team after missing last season's tournament. "Anytime you get a chance to be in the tournament and be one of 64 teams still playing volleyball in December you've got to be excited about it. No matter what's happened to this point, everything starts all over. We like the opportunity."

Senior outside hitter Chelsea Keating, one of the few veterans on this young K-State team, has made both of the previous trips to Lincoln, which included the Wildcats' stellar upset of then No. 2 Nebraska in 2011.

"(Coach Fritz) had us raise our hands earlier of who hasn't gone to a tournament before and we have quite a few people who haven't," Keating said. "Being familiar with (the tournament) will be nice having some experience in postseason play. It will help."

Keating will be a crucial part in leading a team that has seen a bulk of its contributions from the trio of sophomores Brooke Sassin and Katie Reininger and freshman Kylee Zumach. None of those three women have ever seen competition past November.

"It was so exciting," Reininger



HANNAH HUNSINGER | THE COLLEGIAN

Women of the K-State volleyball team cheer and clap at the announcement of their at large bid to the NCAA tournament at Colbert Hills on Sunday night, Nov. 30, 2014. The Wildcats will play the Utah Utes on Dec. 5 in Lincoln, Neb.

said of when K-State was announced. "You're just waiting on that little ticker to flip and see your name. We knew we were coming next. It was awesome, just that little rush of adrenaline and excitement."

Road to the tournament

These were the key matches that helped this young K-State team get back into the post-season:

1. Sept. 6 vs. UCF

Maybe it didn't seem as important at the time, but K-State's early sweep of the Knights at the Wildcat Invitational looks much better now.

UCF (25-7, 18-2 in the American Athletic Conference) blazed through conference play and won the title.

2. Oct. 1 at Kansas

A win against a rival on the road is always big, but consider this: the Wildcats were fresh off a bad five-set loss at home to Baylor that snapped a 11-match win streak. K-State fell behind 0-2 in Lawrence and showed a key aspect that this team has displayed all year, resiliency. That led to a win over now 16th-seeded Kansas (22-8, 10-6 in Big 12).

3. Oct. 8 vs. Iowa State

K-State was able to continue a three-year streak of protecting its home court after Iowa State had won the previous four matches in Ahearn Field House. Iowa State (18-9, 10-6) was picked as a tournament team and splitting the series this season against them was a great resume builder for the Wildcats.

4. Oct. 22 vs. Oklahoma

After having some success and being ranked early in the season, Oklahoma (20-10, 10-6) came into Manhattan and got swept. That is not why they are on this list. The Soon-

ers answered the adversity in Ahearn Field House and turned around and knocked off No. 2 Texas in Austin, which led to a national ranking and an eventual NCAA Tournament berth.

5. Nov. 7 at Texas

Maybe K-State wasn't in the mood to accept a moral victory after its loss to the Longhorns, however, an important distinction came from the trip to Austin. The Wildcats had lost 15-straight sets to Texas (23-2, 15-1). K-State was able to snap that trend and win one set against the conference champion and the No. 4 seed in the NCAA Tournament.



POWER RANKINGS



EMILIO RIVERA
THE COLLEGIAN

1) No. 4 TCU (10-1, 7-1) 48-10 win at Texas (Last ranking: 1)

The Horned Frogs, barring a historic upset against the Cyclones in Fort Worth, Texas on Saturday, will have a shot at being in the inaugural College Football Playoff. The Horned Frogs are the Big 12's best hope of reaching the championship and the hope falls squarely on the shoulders of junior quarterback

Trevone Boykin.

Coming into the season he took criticism on his passing skill, but he has shown that he can be lethal in his passing attack. Boykin is averaging 295.8 passing yards per game and has gained over 3,000 total yards.

2) No. 5 Baylor (10-1, 7-1) 48-46 win vs. Texas Tech (Last ranking: 2)

Baylor is on the outside looking in for the College Football Playoff, however, a win over K-State on Saturday in Waco, Texas would put the Bears in position if an upset were to take place. The Bears will need the victory to share the conference title with TCU, while also needing a top-four team, or a few, to lose in order to advance.

Coming into the final week of the regular season, senior quarterback Bryce Petty is the

talk of the team. Having suffered a concussion in the shootout win against Texas Tech, Petty said he will most likely play in his final home game.

He is the play caller in the top-scoring offense in the conference, which averages 49.8 points per game. With the weapons the senior has around and behind him, the offense has all the firepower it needs to pour on the points.

3) No. 9 K-State (9-2, 7-1) 51-13 win vs. Kansas (Last ranking: 3)

Coming off the throttling it put on the Jayhawks to win the Governors Cup, K-State has an opportunity to claim a share of the Big 12 title with a win against Baylor on Saturday.

With a deadly combination of quarterback Jake Waters and wide receiver Tyler Lockett,

the Wildcats have all of the firepower they need to air it out when needed. Add in senior receiver Curry Sexton and the offense has some serious weapons to go up against the power offense of the Bears.

The defense is also key for the Wildcats and they will need to stay on their assignments if they hope to hang with Petty and company. The Wildcats are ranked first in the conference in total defense, allowing 341 yards per game.

4) No. 18 Oklahoma (8-3, 5-3) bye (Last ranking: 6)

5) Texas (6-6, 5-4) 48-10 loss vs. TCU (Last ranking: 4)

In Charlie Strong's first season, the Longhorns finished the regular season bowl eligible. While the .500 record isn't amazing, what they did with a re-worked roster was impressive. Strong has started to mold the roster into exactly what he wants and likes in a team. The team does have questions to answer, but that'll come as they continue to form an identity. Their pass defense sets the tone, but the rest of the team needs to find a passion in order to win games.

6) West Virginia (7-5, 5-4) 37-24 win

at Iowa State (Last ranking: 5)

After stepping in for quarterback Clint Trickett in their loss to K-State, sophomore Skyler Howard has filled in admirably for the senior. With Trickett's health in question for the bowl game, it'll be interesting to see which direction head coach Dana Holgorsen turns for postseason competition. The offense has largely relied on a potent Trickett as he sits second in the Big 12 in total passing yards with 298.6 per game.

Senior wide receivers Kevin White and Mario Alford are a deadly combination, combining for 2,206 receiving yards. Alford has begun to pick up the slack that White has dropped. White has been the target of increased defensive presence since he exploded at the beginning of the season. Both receivers will need to have a big game in whichever bowl they get.

7) Texas Tech (4-8, 2-7) 48-46 loss vs. Baylor (Last ranking: 7)

For the first time since the 2011 season, the Red Raiders finished the season outside of bowl eligibility. In his second season, head coach Kliff Kingsbury had a rocky road, losing multiple players to injuries and having to play a third-string quarterback. Other than the injuries,

their issues are on his shoulders. The way his team committed penalties was atrocious and the way it affected how his team performed was even worse. It directly reflected what kind of a coach he is.

8) Oklahoma State (5-6, 3-5) bye (Last ranking: 8)

9) Kansas (3-9, 1-8) 51-13 loss at K-State (Last ranking: 9)

The Jayhawks must find a coach before hitting its full offseason mode. Players have rallied around interim coach Clint Bowen, but with other star coaches getting let go within the last few weeks, options are open for Kansas to find a bigger name.

10) Iowa State (2-9, 0-8) 37-24 loss vs. West Virginia (Last ranking: 10)

Again, the Cyclones lost in close fashion. This season has not gone anywhere close to what they wanted. With their season finished, this team will need to re-focus in order to make sure this doesn't happen again.

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While you were away at fall break

compiled by
Shelton Burch

Even though students weren't here to pick up The Collegian last week, that doesn't mean there wasn't news to be read.

Bond vote delays funding for NBAF

On Nov. 24, the Kansas legislature agreed to postpone a vote on the \$231 million of bonds allocated to the National Bio-Agro Defense facility in Manhattan, according to the Topeka Capital Journal.

The vote came after Senate President Susan Wagle of Wichita argued the need for wording in the contract that would limit the state's investment in the project at \$307 million.

"I understand that we need to affirm the project," Wagle was quoted in the article as saying. "However, the language is still not in the contract that our legal adviser says we need."

Initially, the state only agreed to invest \$105 million into the project. However, due to political hesitancy at the national capitol, the Brownback administration recommended an increase of \$202 million in an agreement to secure the interest of Congress, according to the article.

The agreement on the new spending limit comes with the expectation that future increases in the cost of the facility will be handled by the federal government. The new limit on funding, though, must be in writing before Kansas lawmakers will agree to the funding.

State settles in lawsuit, pays over \$200,000

Kansas lawmakers and Gov. Sam Brownback agreed to a \$225,000 settlement last Tuesday relating to the death of Michael Lykins, a former K-State football player, in a Larned, Kansas hospital according to the Topeka Capital Journal.

Lykins' children took the lawsuit to the Shawnee District court last year, arguing that the hospital should have done more to prevent Lykins' 2011 suicide. The lawsuit was filed against the Kansas Department of Aging and Disability services, which oversees the Larned State Hospital, according to the article.

Annual Manhattan Festival Of Lights

Last Friday, the Christmas tree in Blue Earth Plaza was officially lit up. The ceremony included a speech by Wynn Butler, mayor of Manhattan.

People watched the ceremony from throughout the plaza: among smaller decorated trees, rooms in hotels surrounding it and the balconies of Blue Earth Place, which is home to Radina's Bakehouse. Families also had the opportunity for their children to take pictures with Santa Claus.

Ferguson police officer resigns position after verdict

A grand jury decided not to indict former Officer Darren Wilson of the Ferguson Police Department in Ferguson, Missouri last week. The decision led to widespread protests across the U.S. including in Ferguson and in cities spanning from Los Angeles to New York City, according to CNN.

Meanwhile, Wilson announced his resignation Saturday night, according to a CNN article. Wilson cited the need to protect his fellow officers and the community in his letter of resignation.

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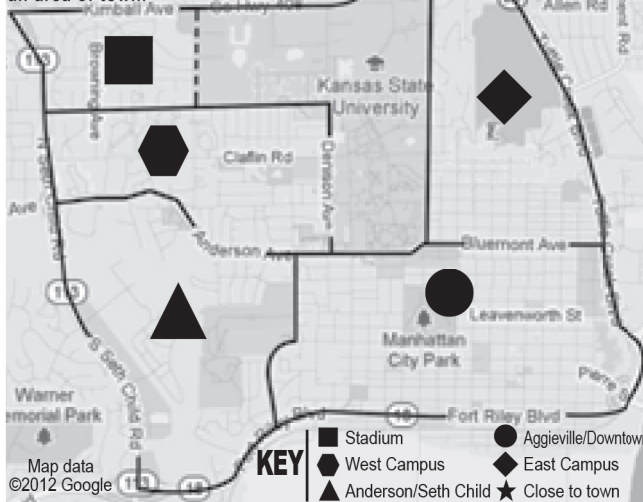
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“ We always fight over who gets to decorate the table. It’s kind of a contest between me and my two sisters on who could decorate it the most festively. ”

compiled by Hannah Hunsinger

Letter to the editor

Re: Union hosts racial profiling forum

I wanted to thank you for the piece on the “Hands Up, Don’t Shoot” event in the November 19th edition of The Collegian. Diverse programming such as this is worth covering amidst a busy event slate on campus.

Racial profiling is a brutal practice that is all too common throughout our society. Calling at-

tention to events like this forum is vital for public education. Media can shape the biases that exist within our culture. By choosing to cover events like “Hands Up, Don’t Shoot,” you move the needle. You raise awareness about both social issues and the diversity of programming on campus. I hope that reading this story sparked others to think about the pervasiveness of racial profiling.

Danny Neely
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Gone Fishing
Students present research at annual event

Lauren Garrison | COLLEGIAN

The third annual Midwest Fisheries Student Colloquium was held Friday and Saturday at the Konza Prairie Biological Station. The colloquium is hosted annually by the K-State Student Society of the American Fisheries Society. The American Fisheries Society is a national group, and K-State has its own student made up of graduate and undergraduate students. According to the society’s Web site, its mission is to “improve the conservation and sustainability of fishery resources and aquatic ecosystems.”

The society accomplishes this goal by promoting events for students across the U.S. who are interested in or are studying fish or aquatic science.

The colloquium is meant to attract students attending universities around the Midwest who are studying fish or aquatic ecosystems.

Joe Gerken, president of the K-State group and graduate student in biology, said the purpose of the colloquium is to further the professional development of students studying fisheries at K-State and other Midwestern universities.

There were 45 students who attended from Iowa, South Dakota, Nebraska, Colorado, Missouri, Oklahoma and Kansas.

Friday night consisted of a meal, social and poster session,” said Andrea Severson, secretary and treasurer of the K-State group and graduate student in fisheries.

Gerken said the purpose of the social was to engage the students in an informal environment to build professional relationships with one another.

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